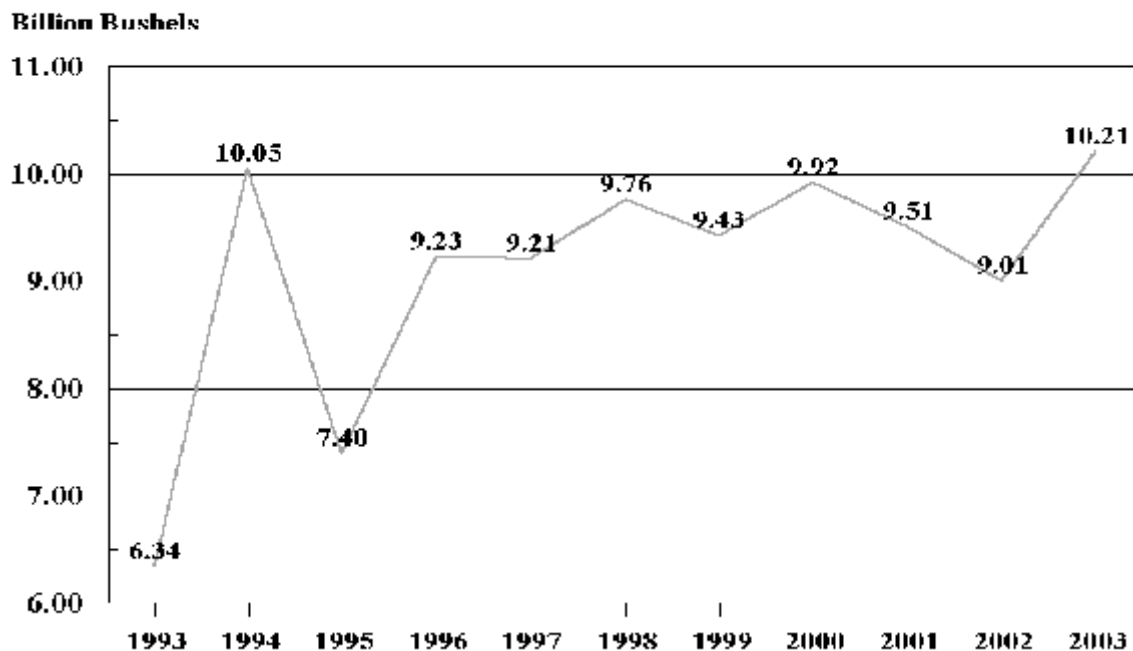


## U.S. Corn for Grain Production

Corn production is forecast at 10.2 billion bushels, up 3 percent from last month and 13 percent above 2002. Based on conditions as of October 1, yields are expected to average 142.2 bushels per acre, up 3.7 bushels from September and up 12.2 bushels from last year. If realized, both production and yield would be the largest ever. Both records were set in 1994 when production was estimated at 10.1 billion bushels and the yield was 138.6 bushels per acre. Yields turned out to be higher than expected across much of the Corn

Belt and central Great Plains as farmers began to harvest their crops. Producers are now realizing that the hot, dry conditions during August did not have as much negative impact on yields as originally thought. Based on Farm Service Agency administrative information, acreage updates were made in several States and farmers now expect to harvest 71.8 million acres of corn for grain, down 50,000 acres from September but up 4 percent from 2002.

## U.S. Corn Production



## Manufactured Dairy Products

**UTAH:** Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) in August 2003, at 6.3 million pounds, was up slightly from August 2002 but down 2.1 percent from July 2003. Hard ice cream production totaled 1.5 million gallons, up 38.2 percent from August 2002 and up 10.0 percent from July 2003.

**UNITED STATES:** Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 708 million pounds, 0.8 percent below August 2002 and 1.2 percent below July 2003. American type cheese production totaled 302 million pounds, 2.4 percent below August 2002 and 1.5 percent below July 2003. Butter production was 70.2 million pounds in August 21.1 percent below August 2002 and 11.8 percent below July 2003.

Manufactured Dairy Production - August 2003 with Comparisons

Product	Utah	United States
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	August 2002	July1/ 2003	August 2003	August 2002	July1/ 2003	August 2003
1,000 Pounds						
Total Cheese .....	6,271	6,408	6,276	714,314	717,211	708,415
1,000Gallons						
Hard ice cream .....	1,116	1,402	1,542	77,896	82,942	75,593

1/ Revised.

## Quarterly Milk Production

### Milk Cows and Production: By State and United States, Preliminary July-September, 2002-2003

State	Jul-Sep Milk Cows <sup>1</sup>		Jul-Sep Milk Production <sup>2</sup>		Change From 2002
	2002	2003	2002	2003	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Million Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>

AL	20	18	59	53	-10.2
AK	1.3	1.2	4.94	4.40	-10.9
AZ	149	150	791	770	-2.7
AR	32	29	88	81	-8.0
CA	1,652	1,697	8,788	8,722	-0.8
CO	102	100	550	542	-1.5
CT	24	22	107	99	-7.5
DE	9.0	8.0	35.0	31.0	-11.4
FL	149	140	519	471	-9.2
GA	85	85	330	320	-3.0
HI	6.5	6.5	23.9	22.6	-5.4
ID	393	410	2,111	2,268	7.4
IL	115	108	480	470	-2.1
IN	148	143	623	630	1.1
IA	210	200	923	912	-1.2
KS	104	103	500	500	
KY	122	113	371	332	-10.5
LA	50	46	123	109	-11.4
ME	37	35	164	157	-4.3
MD	81	78	324	304	-6.2
MA	20	18	89	79	-11.2
MI	301	298	1,489	1,520	2.1
MN	483	472	2,013	2,011	-0.1
MS	34	30	101	87	-13.9
MO	136	128	444	437	-1.6
MT	18	18	87	85	-2.3
NE	67	63	283	277	-2.1
NV	25	26	123	133	8.1
NH	17	16	80	74	-7.5
NJ	13	13	58	53	-8.6
NM	304	317	1,605	1,664	3.7
NY	677	676	3,043	2,964	-2.6
NC	64	60	270	243	-10.0
ND	39	35	145	137	-5.5
OH	263	260	1,088	1,103	1.4
OK	88	86	316	316	
OR	117	120	540	555	2.8
PA	585	570	2,634	2,507	-4.8
RI	1.4	1.3	5.6	5.3	-5.4
SC	20	18	80	65	-18.8
SD	96	89	340	360	5.9
TN	87	78	300	270	-10.0
TX	308	312	1,202	1,282	6.7
UT	93	91	436	413	-5.3
VT	154	147	665	648	-2.6
VA	119	113	448	400	-10.7
WA	248	244	1,432	1,411	-1.5
WV	15	15	60	56	-6.7
WI	1,266	1,254	5,483	5,574	1.7
WY	4.4	3.7	16.3	13.0	-20.2
US <sup>3</sup>	9,153	9,065	41,791	41,540	-0.6

<sup>1</sup> Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes milk sucked by calves.

<sup>3</sup> May not add due to rounding.

## Dry Edible Beans

**UTAH:** Production of dry beans in Utah during 2003 was 15,000 hundredweight (cwt), up 10,000 cwt from last year but down 2,000 cwt from 2001. Utah dry bean growers harvested 5000 acres in 2003, up 4,700 acres from 2002. Average yield of 300 pounds per acre is down 1,370 pounds per acre from last year.

**UNITED STATES:** U.S. dry edible bean production is forecast at 23.6 million cwt for 2003, down 3 percent from the August forecast and 21 percent below last year. Harvested acreage is forecast at 1.42 million acres, the same as August but down 18 percent from last year. The average U.S. yield is forecast at 1,665

pounds per acre, a decrease of 52 pounds from the August forecast and 71 pounds below last year. Since August, production forecasts have decreased 29 percent in Colorado, 6 percent in both Michigan and Wyoming, 5 percent in California, and 2 percent in North Dakota. Higher production is forecast in New York and Texas, up 10 percent and 8 percent, respectively. Production is expected to be lower than last year in 11 of the 18 producing States. These decreases are mostly a result of warm, dry conditions in many of the major producing States. Washington and Colorado are down 46 percent from last year. Michigan expects a 42 percent reduction and Oregon a 25 percent decrease. North Dakota is down 18 percent and Idaho, California, and Minnesota all expect reductions of 16 percent. Decreases in other States are 15 percent in Nebraska, 10 percent in Montana, and 5 percent in Wisconsin. In Michigan,

warm, dry conditions during September helped the crop to dry down but reduced yields. Good quality during harvest has been reported. Minnesota's harvest was 73 percent complete as of September 28. Harvest of Nebraska's crop is moving quickly with average to above average yields. North Dakota's harvest began ahead of schedule in late August with 76 percent of the crop harvested by September 28. Production is back up in Utah following a drought reduced crop in 2002. New York and New Mexico production are both up 32 percent from last year. Production is also up from last year in Kansas and Wyoming by 17 and 15 percent, respectively. South Dakota and Texas expect increased production as well. The Texas crop is in good condition so far this year. The Wyoming crop is better than last year with growers rating crop condition as mostly good.

### **Dry Edible Beans: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production by State and United States, 2001-2002 and Forecasted October 1, 2003<sup>1</sup>**

State	Area Harvested		Yield <sup>2</sup>		Production <sup>2</sup>		
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2001	2002	2003
	1,000 Acres	1,000 Acres	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 Cwt	1,000 Cwt	1,000 Cwt
CA	89.0	74.0	1,980	2,000	1,496	1,762	1,480
CO	70.0	55.0	2,170	1,500	1,785	1,519	825
ID	93.0	78.0	2,050	2,050	1,424	1,907	1,599
KS	14.5	11.0	1,100	1,700	259	160	187
MI	265.0	190.0	1,850	1,500	780	4,903	2,850
MN	150.0	130.0	1,650	1,600	1,575	2,475	2,080
MT <sup>3</sup>	23.0	17.0	1,570	1,920	376	361	326
NE	165.0	140.0	2,100	2,100	3,185	3,465	2,940
NM <sup>3</sup>	8.0	10.0	1,800	1,900	300	144	190
NY	24.5	24.5	1,360	1,800	194	333	441
ND	690.0	570.0	1,540	1,520	6,200	10,626	8,664
OR <sup>3</sup>	9.1	7.8	1,730	1,500	172	157	117
SD	16.0	16.0	1,630	1,700	270	261	272
TX	32.5	25.0	970	1,300	348	315	325
UT <sup>3</sup>	0.3	5.0	1,670	300	17	5	15
WA	41.0	26.0	2,000	1,700	578	820	442
WI <sup>3</sup>	7.0	6.5	1,960	2,000	100	137	130
WY	29.0	32.0	2,150	2,250	514	624	720
US	1,726.9	1,417.8	1,736	1,665	19,583	29,974	23,603

<sup>1</sup> Excludes beans grown for garden seed.

<sup>2</sup> Cleaned basis.

<sup>3</sup> Estimates for current year carried forward from an earlier forecast.

## **U.S. Cattle on Feed Down 2 Percent**

**Cattle and calves on feed** for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.2 million head on October 1, 2003. The inventory was 2 percent below October 1, 2002 and 8 percent below October 1, 2001. The inventory included 6.24 million steers and steer calves, down slightly from the previous year. This group accounted for 61 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.91 million head,

down 4 percent from 2002.

**Placements** in feedlots during September totaled 2.47 million, 13 percent above 2002 and 16 percent above 2001. Net placements were 2.41 million. During September, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 698,000, 600-699 pounds

were 545,000, 700-799 pounds were 610,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 621,000.

**Other disappearance** totaled 63,000 during September, 19 percent above 2002 and 37 percent above 2001

**Marketings** of fed cattle during September totaled 2.03 million, 10 percent above 2002 and 11 percent above 2001.

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000 + Capacity Feedlots, United States, October 1, 2001- 2003**

Item	Number			2003 as % of	
	2001	2002	2003	2001	2002
	1,000 Head			Percent	
On Feed Sep 1 <u>1/</u> .....	10,855	10,129	*9,834	91	97
Placed on Feed during Sep .....	2,141	2,188	2,474	116	113
Fed Cattle Marketed during Sep. ....	1,825	1,848	2,032	111	110
Other Disappearance during Sep <u>2/</u> .....	46	53	63	137	119
On Feed Oct 1 <u>1/</u> .....	11,125	10,416	10,213	92	98

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. 2/ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding. \*Revised